



**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
REGION 10**

1200 Sixth Avenue, Suite 900  
Seattle, Washington 98101-3140

**JUL - 6 2016**

OFFICE OF  
COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT

Reply to: OCE-101

**CERTIFIED MAIL – RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

The Honorable Fritz Haemmerle  
Mayor of Hailey  
115 Main Street South  
Hailey, Idaho 83333

Re: City of Hailey WWTP  
NPDES Permit Number ID-002030-3

Dear Mayor Haemmerle:

On June 22, 2012, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) issued a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit to the City of Hailey, Idaho ("City") for its wastewater treatment facility ("Facility"), NPDES Permit Number ID-002030-3 ("Permit"). The Permit became effective on August 1, 2012 and will expire on July 31, 2017. The purpose of this letter is to notify you of violations EPA discovered upon review of administrative files, including the Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMRs) submitted by the City, and in response to the inspection of the Facility conducted by EPA on February 10, 2016. The purpose of the inspection was to determine the City's compliance with the requirements of the Clean Water Act (CWA) and the NPDES Permit. I would like to express my appreciation for your staff's time and cooperation during the inspection.

**ADMINISTRATIVE FILE REVIEW**

EPA reviewed DMRs from May 2011 through June 2016 and identified effluent limitation exceedances that constitute 401 violations of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1251 *et seq.* A list of these violations is enclosed (Enclosure A).

At the time of inspection, the inspector noted no areas of concern other than the above-mentioned effluent exceedances.

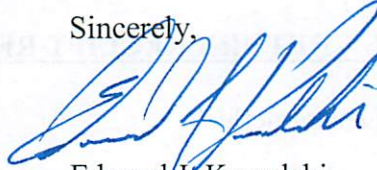
On December 21, 2015, the NPDES Electronic Reporting Rule became effective. Permittees with a DMR requirement will have one year from this date to submit DMRs through NetDMR. Additional information is enclosed (Enclosure B).

Although our goal is to ensure NPDES facilities comply fully with their permits, the ultimate responsibility rests with the permittee. As such, I want to strongly encourage you to continue your efforts to maintain full knowledge of the Permit requirements, and other appropriate statutes, and to respond appropriately to ensure compliance. Notwithstanding your response to

this letter, EPA retains all rights to pursue enforcement actions to address these and any other violations.

I have enclosed a copy of the inspection report (Enclosure C). If you have any questions concerning this matter, please call Raymond Andrews of my staff at (206) 553-4252.

Sincerely,



Edward J. Kowalski  
Director

Enclosures

cc w/enc: Mr. Stephen Berry  
Idaho Department of Environmental Quality  
stephen.berry@deq.idaho.gov

Mr. Roger Parker  
Manager, Wastewater Division  
City of Hailey, Idaho  
roger.parker@haileycityhall.org

Mr. Steve Holyoak  
Wastewater Foreman  
City of Hailey, Idaho  
steve.holyoak@haileycityhall.org

cc w/o encl: Mr. David Anderson  
IDEQ, Twin Falls Regional Office  
david.anderson@deq.idaho.gov